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THE METHODISTS IN CONFERENCE

One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Session at Danville.

BISHOP GALLOWAY PRESIDED OVER BODY

Dr. Paul Whitehead Elected Secretary for the Fiftieth Time. Interesting Reports By the Various Boards—Dr. Whitehead to Preach.

(From Staff Correspondent.)
DANVILLE, VA., Nov. 8.—The one hundred and twenty-third annual session of the Virginia Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, commenced in the Main Street Methodist church at 9:15 o'clock this morning. A half hour of devotional exercises were conducted by Bishop Charles B. Galloway, of Mississippi, after which Conference proper was called to order.
The roll was called by the secretary, Rev. Dr. Paul Whitehead.
It showed 210 preachers and thirty odd lay members present. This is regarded as a splendid turnout for the first morning session, there being 256 clerical and forty-one lay members of the Conference.
Dr. Whitehead, who has been secretary of the Conference for forty-nine years, was unanimously elected secretary for the fiftieth time, and he appointed Rev. Dr. S. S. Lambeth and Rev. George F. Greene, assistants.
Several standing committees, enough to map out work for the Conference tomorrow, were appointed.

The Lord's Supper.
Conference proceedings were then suspended and the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Bishop, who was assisted by Drs. Whitehead, Tudor and Bledsoe, and Revs. Littleton and Campbell. After this interesting and solemn service, the business of the Conference was resumed.

Much of the morning hour was taken up with the reading of reports from the heads of General Conference boards. The General Conference board of trustees, to whom was committed the care and management of the endowment fund for superannuated preachers and widows and orphans of deceased ministers, reports \$173,657.95 received. The board urges that the church contribute more liberally to this fund, expressing the hope that in time the fund may reach five millions.
The superintendent of the General Conference correspondence school, located at Nashville, reports a hundred members on the roll, thirty-three of whom are within the bounds of the Virginia Conference.

Education.
The general education board reports thirty-two new schools and college buildings erected during the year at cost of \$144,688. Other interesting items in the report are: Value of grounds and buildings, \$5,237,058. Invested in improvements during year, \$196,736. Value of science equipment, \$2,531. Gifts and legacies received, \$2,752. Total endowment, \$3,406,462. Number of teachers, 1,641; students 29,078; free tuition students, 1,700; ministerial students, 276. The institutions, 175 in number, show an income of \$1,067,115.

The general church extension board reports payment to its fund from prior conferences, was \$100,138. The foreign mission conference more than doubled amount they were assessed. Value of church property in bounds of general conference is valued at a million and a half dollars, more than it was the year previous.

The publishing house reports shows gross sale of books and periodicals, \$427,691 an increase of sales of \$28,362. Total assets of publishing house, \$688,396, with liabilities at only \$27,450.

The Epworth League also make excellent reports, however, the only item in all the reports which shows a decrease is the item of Sunday school teachers. There has been a falling off of fourteen hundred. These reports are read merely for general information. This conference does not act upon them.

Church Extension.
Dr. P. M. Whisner, general agent of church extension board, addressed the conference in a strong and stirring speech. At the close of the speech a collection for the church and school mission in Asia was taken. The building at Yamauchi was taken. The building at Yamauchi, he got it. John P. Branch, of Richmond, heading the list with \$100. The remainder of the morning session was taken up with receiving answers to questions. 20: "Are all the preachers blameless?" The characters of superannuates and presiding elders were passed, and the call of elders was not completed at 6 o'clock, the hour of adjournment of the morning session.

At 7:00 o'clock the Main Street Church was packed to its utmost capacity with members of Conference and others to hear the annual sermon by Rev. Dr. Paul Whitehead. The sermon was something of an innovation on the usual annual sermon, in that it was in the nature of a celebration of the fifty-third anniversary of Dr. Whitehead's entrance into the Conference as a young minister. His text was the seventy-first Psalm, seventeenth and eighteenth verses: "O God, thou hast taught me from my youth; and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works; now also, when I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not, until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation and thy power to every one that is to come."
The discourse, aside from its power as a sermon was intensely interesting in that the Doctor reviewed briefly but eloquently his fifty-two years in the ministry. committees appointed this morning got to work in the afternoon, and the Conference will have a plenty of do-to-morrow, outside of routine.
Many Visitors.
All the trains entering the city yesterday, last night and this morning.

INQUIRY AND ACTION AS TO YOUNG BRANCH'S DEATH



(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ANNAPOLIS, MD., November 8.—The funeral of Midshipman James R. Branch, who died here Tuesday morning after receiving injuries in a flat fight with Midshipman Miner Meriwether, Jr., took place this afternoon from the Old Naval Academy armory. Chaplain H. H. Clark conducted the funeral services, and the interment was in the Naval Cemetery.
The pall-bearers were his classmates, Midshipmen H. B. McKittick, J. H. Hydrick, C. Humphrey, C. P. Page, C. E. Pugh and E. W. Pritchard. The full brigade of midshipmen attended.
Admiral Sands will begin a thorough investigation of the affair to-morrow.
Secretary Takes Up Case.
(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., November 8.—Secretary Bonaparte stated to-day that the recent occurrence at the Annapolis Naval Academy, resulting in the death of Midshipman Branch, would be thoroughly investigated, but that at present no further orders would be issued.
Admiral Sands, the superintendent at the Naval Academy, to-day telegraphed Secretary Bonaparte that Lieutenants Fitch and Noyes, of the cadet battalion, had been reduced to the ranks for participation in the unfortunate affair, by which young Branch lost his life. The regulations provide for the immediate investigation of the matter by a court of inquiry, which, it is stated at the Department, will undoubtedly recommend the trial by court-martial, not only of the survivor of the prize fight, but of the timekeeper and the referee, both cadet officers, and perhaps of the cadet officers who permitted the men to withdraw from the supper line last Sunday evening to engage in the fatal encounter.

CITIZENS TEST THE FOOD AT V. M. I.

Declare It As Good As Any Boarding-House Fare.

THE BOARD TO MEET TO-DAY

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEXINGTON, VA., Nov. 8.—Several members of the Board of Visitors of the Virginia Military Institute arrived this evening for their meeting to-morrow to investigate the complaints of cadets with reference to food conditions. It is expected that the board will make a thorough investigation, which will result in improving conditions in the commissary department.
For the past two weeks well-known gentlemen of Lexington have dropped in unexpectedly at the mess hall and taken meals with the cadets, and all of them say the fare will compare favorably with any boarding house in Lexington, both as to quality of food and manner of preparation.
The third class, which presented a paper to the General Staff, threatening to leave the school unless a promise of improved conditions was given them, have offered to withdraw the paper, but have declined to apologize.
The matter is being held in abeyance for action by the board. Just what penalty they will inflict for such a flagrant breach of discipline can only be surmised.

TYPHOON DEVASTATES JAPANESE PROVINCE

(By Associated Press.)
TOKIO, November 8.—A typhoon, wrought extensive devastation in the province in Oshima and the islands adjacent thereto. Over 2,000 buildings have been destroyed and a steamer, it is said, has been wrecked. No loss of life is reported.

WARSHIPS ORDERED TO SANTO DOMINGO

Natives Uprise Against Administration of Morals and Colonization Is Feared.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, November 8.—A revolutionary movement has developed in Santo Domingo. News of this uprising, the first in many months, came to the State Department last night from one of its representatives in Santo Domingo. There was a lack of details, the statement being merely that an uprising had occurred at Macoris, directed against the Administration of President Morales.
The news was immediately communicated to the Navy Department and an order was dispatched by cable to Rear Admiral Bradford who is at Guantanamo, Cuba, to send a warship at once to the scene of trouble. A ship can be sent to Macoris in half a day.
Nothing is known definitely as to the cause of this outbreak, but it is said here that the leaders were financed from New York with a purpose of stirring up strife just in season to adversely influence action in the United States Senate on the pending Santo Domingo treaty.
It is stated that the activities of the United States warships now probably will be confined to the protection of American interests.

WILSON SAID TO BE A BIGAMIST

Bridegroom Admits He Was Married Before—Says Present Wife Knew.

DECLARES HE WAS DIVORCED

Snatched From Side of Richmond Bride to Face Forgery Charge.
Charged on a warrant with being a fugitive from justice, and having committed forgery, and with the additional charge of bigamy looming up upon his horizon, J. H. Wilson, the young white man, who less than a week ago was the hero of a romantic marriage with a popular young Richmond lady, is in the city jail awaiting the arrival of the Roanoke authorities, now on their way here to get the prisoner. In toto he denies the charges, made and those insinuated and asserts with vehemence that he will be able to establish his innocence.
He admits being a "grass widower," saying that he secured a divorce from his wife more than a year ago. This first wife, he claims, lives "just out of Buffalo." He has one child.
Mrs. J. H. Wilson, who less than ten days ago was Miss Isabella L. Steinberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Steinberg, of No. 406 Graham Street, this city, awaits the result of the trial of her husband upon the charges preferred. She was ignorant that a charge of bigamy would be lodged against the man who a few days ago stood with her at the altar. Wilson says his wife knew of his former marriage; it was impossible last night to secure a statement from Mrs. Wilson herself.
What Prisoner Says.
Wilson, who is a man of about twenty-five years of age, with auburn hair and (Continued on Third Page.)

TELEPHONE COMPANY TO HAVE 7-STORY BUILDING

Will Be Fireproof, Steel Structure With Frontage of 125 Feet.

Richmond is to have another large new building, to be erected by the Southern Bell Telephone Company. The deal for the two additional lots—Nos. 706 and 709 East Grace Street—was closed yesterday morning. The property was purchased for \$21,000.
The new building will be a large fireproof, steel structure, having a total front of 125 feet, and will be about seven stories high. It will be confined solely to the uses of the company, and will contain enough room to handle an additional list of about 10,000 subscribers.
The company has found that the present building is not capacious enough to keep pace with the increased progress of Richmond, and in order to meet the growing demands determined to erect a new building, which should be ample enough for the enlarged business. Work will be started on it some time in the spring, or as soon as the plans and specifications are completed.

LOSE STRENGTH IN LEGISLATURE

Looks As If Republicans Fail to Hold Their Own.

FEWER MEMBERS ON JOINT BALLOT

Democrats Make Gains in Several Southwest Districts—Change Will Not Be Material Either Way—Some Are Yet in Doubt.

The political complexion of the Legislature will not be materially changed as a result of Tuesday's elections, though it looks as if the opposition strength has been reduced.
The Republicans will probably have seventeen members on joint ballot as against twenty in the last body. They made a gain of only one vote in the Senate giving them six instead of five in the upper branch.
They had three "holdovers," Messrs. Greear, Turner and Noel, and two of the other seats they held, and which were filled on Tuesday, were retained by them, while they gained one. This was the Bristol district, formerly represented by Hon. J. Cloyd Byars.
Of the one hundred members of the last House, there were fifteen Republicans and one Independent. The Republicans have elected nine, and probably eleven, members of the lower branch. They may possibly get thirteen as a result of later returns, but even then their strength will be only nineteen, in stead of twenty, in the last assembly.
With nine members certain, they will probably get Carroll and Floyd, still unreported. Pulaski, Patrick, Franklin and Henry are in doubt in Pulaski there is a possibility of Republican victory, but in the other three chances favor the Democrats.
Some Switching Around.
There was a good deal of switching around in various counties on Tuesday, not to have more materially altered general results. The Democrats captured the following districts represented in the last House by Republicans: Montgomery and Stafford, one member from Rockingham. Stafford and King George and two members from Washington and city of Bristol. The Democrats also carried Spotsylvania and Fredericksburg, which was represented in the last House by an Independent.
The Republicans reversed conditions in Wythe, and perhaps several other counties. From present information, the personnel of the new Legislature will be as shown by the subjoined list, the members not Democrats being indicated.

Senate.
First District—A. T. Lincoln (Rep.), Marion.
Third District—Dickinson (Rep).
Fifth District—F. F. St. Clair, Bane.
Seventh District—H. L. Garrett (Rep).
Ninth District—Edward Echols, Staunton.
Eleventh District—B. W. Lynn, Leesburg.
Thirteenth District—F. W. Sims, Louisa.
Fifteenth District—George S. Shackelford, Orange.
Seventeenth District—John S. Chapman, Standardsville.
Nineteenth District—A. E. Strode, Amherst.
Twenty-first District—R. R. Noblin, South Boston.
Twenty-third District—W. A. Garrett, Ridgeway.
Twenty-fifth District—F. B. Roberts, Chase City.
Twenty-seventh District—A. R. Hobbs, Marl.
Twenty-ninth District—Charles T. Lassiter, Petersburg.
Thirty-first District—W. W. Sale, Norfolk.
Thirty-third District—John C. Niemeyer, Portsmouth.
Thirty-fifth District—T. Ashby Wickham, Richmond.
Thirty-seventh District—B. T. Gunter, Accomac.
Thirty-ninth District—Charles J. An (Continued on Ninth Page.)

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: Virginia—Fair Thursday; rain Thursday night and Friday; fresh west winds, becoming east.
North Carolina—Fair Thursday, except rain in extreme west portions; Friday, rain; fresh west winds, becoming east.
Conditions Yesterday.
Richmond's weather was fair and cold. Range of the thermometer:
9 A. M. 53 6 P. M. 58
12 M. 50 3 P. M. 56
3 P. M. 57 12 midnight 47
Highest temperature yesterday 58
Lowest temperature yesterday 43
Normal temperature yesterday 48
Departure from normal temperature 10
Conditions in Important Cities.
(At 4 P. M. Eastern Time.)
Place High T. Weather.
Asheville, N. C. 52 72 Clear
Augusta 61 78 Clear
Atlanta 61 78 Clear
Charlotte 61 78 Clear
Chicago 61 78 Clear
Cincinnati 61 78 Clear
Cleveland 61 78 Clear
Jacksonville 61 78 Clear
Key West 61 78 Clear
Mobile 61 78 Clear
New York City 61 78 Clear
Pittsburgh 61 78 Clear
Washington 61 78 Clear
Wilmington 61 78 Clear
Miniature Almanac.
November 9, 1905.
Sun. rises 6:04 HIGH 7:02
Moon sets 4:11 Morning 2:4
Evening 2:5

TAMMANY THUGS MOB MUNICIPAL LEAGUE MEN

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST.
Angered By Attacks on Supporters, Mr. Hearst Will Contest.

RETURNS HELD UP; ILLEGAL VOTING

Violence and Frauds Unparalleled in New York's History Marked Battle.

HEARST DECLARES A FIGHT TO THE FINISH

Irregular Methods Will Be Taken to Supreme Court and Prosecuted By Jerome and Many of Candidate's Political Opponents.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, November 8.—With the granting of an order by Supreme Court Justice William J. Gaynor, in Brooklyn, to-night, compelling Police Commissioner McAdoo to remove every ballot box from all the precincts in Greater New York to the bureau of elections, William R. Hearst, the defeated Municipal Ownership League candidate took his first legal step in a fight to secure a recount of the votes cast on election day.
Reviews Affidavits.
The order was granted after Justice Gaynor had reviewed affidavits submitted by Mr. Hearst's attorneys and half an hour later, Colonel Alexander S. Bacon and F. W. Brown, representing Mr. Hearst, served the order on Commissioner McAdoo, who sent out a general order to every precinct in Greater New York, instructing the captains or other officers in charge, to send the ballot boxes straightway to the bureau of elections in Manhattan. In signing the order Justice Gaynor said:
Causes Consternation.
"The police have nothing whatever to do with the ballot boxes and it is most astonishing that they should have possession of them. They have no right to even touch them. The order is granted, even though the order came late."
The granting of the order came unexpectedly and caused much surprise and with the opinion of Justice Gaynor that the police have no right to the ballot boxes and should not even touch them, a new aspect is placed upon the case. This is the first time such an order has been issued, as heretofore the police have always had charge of the ballot boxes after the count has been taken at the polling places. They are removed to the station house immediately after the inspectors and clerks have counted up the ballots.
Mr. Ivins, the defeated Republican majority candidate, was asked to-day by Mr. Hearst to act as his counsel in the fight he will wage to be declared mayor. Mr. Ivins refused, but said he would gladly cooperate with the attorneys who will conduct the fight as an associate counsel.

PASSING OF THE BOSSES

New York—The boss, Charles Murphy; the issue, bossism and clean government; the result, Jerome, machine fighter, elected.
Philadelphia—The boss, Durham and the "machine," the issue, clean government; the result, sweeping reform victory.
Baltimore—The boss, Senator A. P. Gorman; the issue, suffrage amendment; the result, amendment defeated.
Cincinnati—The boss, George B. Cox; the issue, bossism, insurance and liquor legislation; the result, Cox, defeated, gives up politics.
New Jersey—The boss, Carl Lentz; the issue, bossism; the result, bossism defeated.

DEMOCRATS AND REFORMERS WIN

Official Outcome of Tuesday's Contest Shows Republican Losses Everywhere.

AFTERMATH OF A GREAT STRUGGLE

Tuesday's Election the All-Consuming Topic Among Leaders.

DEMOCRACY SWEEPS OHIO

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., November 8.—The election of John M. Pattison, Democrat, as Governor of Ohio by approximately 40,000 plurality over Myron T. Herriek, the present Republican Governor, an immediate appeal by William R. Hearst, the Municipal Ownership candidate for the New York mayoralty, to the Supreme Court to contest McClellan's re-election in that city, on the basis of alleged evidence of wholesale illegal acts at the polls; a plurality of 3,485 votes for McClellan; an immediate contest by the fusionists in Louisville in the courts against the election of Democratic municipal officers and members of the Legislature, were the developments in today's election aftermath.
McClellan's plurality is the minimum on record for a successful mayoralty campaign.

LITTLE GIRLS BURNED TO DEATH IN A TENT

Child of H. S. Kimball, of Boston, Owner of Soapstone Quarry.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW GLASGOW, VA., November 8.—Adele, the eighteen month old daughter of H. S. Kimball, of Boston, Mass., was burned to death in a sleeping tent at his Soapstone quarry near Tyne, Va., at noon Tuesday.
Adele had just been left by her nurse, and the child was dead before the fire was discovered.
Mr. Kimball was formerly of the United States Navy. He is now operating the large soapstone quarry near Tyne River, Va. Mr. and Mrs. Kimball were at Annapolis when the accident occurred. The body of the little girl was carried to Baltimore today for interment.
KILLED BY A SPLINTER WHICH STUCK IN HIS EYE
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WYTHEVILLE, VA., November 8.—Mr. Posey Walters, who lives about three miles west of Wytheville, while working at his sawmill this morning, had a splinter driven in his eye, from which he died this afternoon.

SWALLOWING A BEAN CAUSES CHILD'S DEATH

Lodges in Her Lung and Leads to Pneumonia—School Girls As Pallbearers.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ONANCOCK, VA., November 8.—Little Susie Moore, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Moore, of Onancock, was playing last Friday afternoon with a string of beans. She had some of them in her mouth when she stumbled and fell backwards, and swallowed six. A doctor was summoned as soon as the accident was discovered, and he succeeded in relieving her of five. One, however, went down into one of her lungs. She had frequent spasms, and getting no better was carried to Norfolk to a hospital Saturday afternoon. The little child was beyond the aid of physicians as a severe case of pneumonia quickly developed, and death followed Monday afternoon.
The funeral was held yesterday from the Baptist Church, six young ladies from the Onancock High School acting as pallbearers. The little girl was bright and attractive, and was the only daughter of one of the leading and most popular seamen on the road.

Opponents Approve.

Mr. Hearst's proposed action met with warm approval in many quarters, even among those who opposed his election, and he received many assurances of support. District Attorney Jerome expressed himself in terms of strong approval of Mr. Hearst's program, and declared that he would immediately institute a searching investigation of the alleged Democratic frauds. He also ordered the returns from the Eighteenth and Sixteenth Districts to be carefully guarded.
In G. Darrin, the newly elected district attorney of Queens county on the Republican ticket, made a similar statement.
William M. Ivins, the defeated Republican candidate for Mayor, also commended Mr. Hearst's action, and expressed the belief that a recount would show that Mr. Hearst had been elected.
Tammany's Edict.
After a secret session of the Executive Committee of Tammany Hall, held this afternoon, the following statement was issued:
"The executive committee of the Democratic organization of Queens county, the committee to exert its best efforts and take such steps and institute such proceedings as will safeguard the election."